



Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

January 15, 2016

Mr. C. Douglas Off Ojai Oil Company 400 West Ventura Boulevard, Suite 100 Camarillo, CA 93010 CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED
CLAIM NO.: **7014 2870 0001 4538 1016**

SUBJECT:

APPROVAL OF TIME EXTENSION REQUEST FOR SUBMITTAL OF TECHNICAL

DOCUMENTS PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA WATER CODE SECTION 13267 ORDER

SITE:

OJAI OIL COMPANY, CAMARILLO, CALIFORNIA.

Dear Mr. Off:

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board) has received a written response, dated December 31, 2015 (attached), for an extension to submit a technical report (Report) required under investigative order R4-2015-0450 under the California Water Code (CWC) Section 13267 Order for the site. The original due date for the Report was January 18, 2016. The requested new due date for the Report is February 29, 2016.

The extension is being requested due to the discovery of one sump in operation from 1908 through its removal and cleanup in 1997. This extension would allow sufficient time to collect and test groundwater samples from freshwater wells within a one-half mile radius of this abandoned sump. The Regional Board hereby approves the request for extension of the Report due date to **February 29, 2016**.

The above requirement for submittal of a technical report constitutes an amendment to the requirements of the California Water Code section 13267 Order originally dated December 18, 2015. All other aspects of the Order originally dated December 18, 2015, and the amendments thereto, remain in full force and effect. The required technical report is necessary to investigate the characteristics of and extend of the discharges of waste at the site and to evaluate cleanup alternatives, if needed. Therefore, the burden, including costs, of the report bear a reasonable relationship to the need for the report and benefits to be obtained. Pursuant to section 13268 of the California Water Code, failure to submit the required technical report by the specified due date may result in civil liability administratively imposed by the Regional Board in an amount up to one thousand dollars (\$1000) for each day each technical report is not received.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Joshua Cwikla at (213) 576-6713 or via email at joshua.cwikla@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Samuel Unger, P.E. Executive Officer

cc:

John Borkovich, State Water Resources Control Board
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Mr. Samuel Unger Mr. Joshua Cwikla LA Regional WQCB 320 West 4th St Ste 200 Los Angeles, CA 90013

Re:

Ojai Oil Company

Cal Water Code Directive Section 13267

Disposal of Well Drilling Fluids/Production Fluids

Dear Mr. Cwikla:

We request extension of the date for sump reporting on our oil well production property in Ventura County to February 29th, 2016. We have found one sump that was in use from 1908 to 1997, the later date being the removal and cleanup date. We would like the date for reporting extended in order to get water samples and testing completed from fresh water wells within ½ mile of this abandoned sump.

Thank you for your courtesy in this matter.

Douglas Off, President

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